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EPS Supply Chain Concern

- At the January 30th workshop, CEA reported about 4.4 million cordless telephones, each with an external power supply, were sold in California last year.
- This number becomes 6.7 million when other wireline telephony products such as answering systems and high feature corded telephones that use ac power are added in.





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- Telephone manufacturers cannot make separate versions of their products for sale in California. Trying to do so would be a logistical nightmare.
- Manufacturers ship products to retailers, who distribute them from regional and even national distribution centers. There is no way for the manufacturer to control where products are ultimately shipped.





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- Thus, all telephony products sold in the US will need to have external power supplies that comply with California regulations.
- This means 57 million compliant external power supplies will be needed annually by the wireline telephone industry alone.

